

SPECIAL AWARDS:

Community Xeriscape Leader - Carl Kominsky



Carl has worked as a landscape architect in Tucson for nearly 30 years. In this time, he has unselfishly and tirelessly served as an instructor, mentor and strong proponent of water-efficient irrigation. He is recognized throughout the Southwest as one of the foremost experts in irrigation. His expertise has been sought out, and generously given, as an instructor at the U of A and Pima Community College as well as on various community committees, helping to establish guidelines and codify principles of efficient water use. Carl has worked extensively with the City of Tucson and Tucson Unified School District to convert irrigation to reclaimed water. To date 35 schools are currently using reclaimed water, which has resulted in

groundwater savings of 1 billion gallons of water annually. He has extensive experience with City of Tucson parks and roadway projects, Tucson Water planning, feasibility and revegetation projects, ADOT roadway irrigation projects, and large-scale drip and spray irrigation systems using reclaimed water. Carl is known for designing efficient and



manageable systems that conserve water and are responsive to the maintenance needs of the owner.

Carl received a Bachelor of Landscape Architecture with Honors and Distinction, from the University of Arizona in 1972. Followed by graduate studies at the U of A in Agriculture and Biosystems Engineering and Irrigation Design in 1993. He is a member of the American Society of Irrigation Consultants.



For his outstanding leadership in advancing the principles of Xeriscape and water conservation, Carl has been selected to receive the 2003 Community Xeriscape Leader Award.

